HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 712 By Davis

A RESOLUTION designating June 7, 2005, as "Hunger Awareness Day" in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is with deep concern for the hundreds of thousands of citizens nationwide who face increasing difficulties feeding their families that the members of the General Assembly join with the Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee as it supports America's Second Harvest's National Hunger Awareness campaign to feed hungry children; and

WHEREAS, more than 23 million people, including 9 million children and 3 million adults, are currently relying on food banks to secure food for their families on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, America's Second Harvest, the largest hunger-relief organization in the United States, has seen an increase in demand for food, particularly among families with children; in response to the growing need, it has launched a national campaign to secure additional resources to help families fight hunger; and

WHEREAS, June 7, 2005, has been designated "National Hunger Awareness Day"; Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee, in partnership with approximately 200 agencies, has committed its support for America's national campaign to secure additional resources from within the Tennessee community to combat hunger; and

WHEREAS, any additional donations, funding, or volunteer support generated by this National Call to Action will benefit those in need of assistance within the eight-county region of Northeast Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the campaign will provide valuable food resources to those in need of help and reduce hunger within Tennessee, and should be properly recognized for its valiant efforts; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby designate June 7, 2005, as "Hunger Awareness Day" in Tennessee and urge the citizens of this State to join in this national effort by securing additional food resources to feed the hungry in their respective communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we commend Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee for its dedication to securing provisions for so many individuals, providing food year round to all in need.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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